



CLOSE CALL SURFACE DUMP POINT ACCIDENT



On December 5, while dumping on a stockpile, the rear of the haul truck dropped suddenly, impacting the slope and flipping upside down on to the ground below. The haul truck's rear tires had encountered soft material in an over steepened state due to load out activities conducted below the dump point. The driver suffered severe, permanently disabling injuries due to the accident.

Best Practices:

1. Always maintain an adequate berm.
2. Dump short, or in another area if load out activities have taken place below the dump point.
3. Make frequent examinations of the dump point.
4. Maintain communication between those working on the dump point, and those loading out below the dump point.
5. Wear seatbelts.
6. Provide adequate task training for employees.

